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THREE CANDIDATES FOUND IN VIOLATION OF DISCLOSURE LAW

Olympia – Chair of the Public Disclosure Commission, Christine Yorozu, found three candidates from the Puget Sound area violated state Public Disclosure laws during the 2001 election.

At a Brief Enforcement Hearing held on Tuesday in Olympia the following candidates were found in violation of the public disclosure:

Connie Marshall, Mayor of Bellevue, was found in violation of state law by making expenditures with campaign funds that were not directly related to her re-election campaign. Marshall was assessed a penalty of \$100 for using her election campaign funds for her personal use in sponsoring and paying for political advertisements on campaigns other than her re-election effort. The civil penalty was suspended on the condition no further violations of the statute are committed for a period of four years.

James Shortt, candidate for city council of the City of Bonney Lake, was found in violation of state law for failure to timely file a Candidate Registration report within two weeks of becoming a candidate and by failing to make campaign records available for public inspection. Shortt was assessed a civil penalty of \$100 which was suspended on the condition no further violations of the statute are committed for a period of four years.

Karla Dyer, candidate for School Board Director of the Federal Way School District, was found in violation of state law for exceeding mini-reporting campaign limits and for failing to make campaign records available for public inspection. Dyer was assessed a penalty of \$150 which was suspended on the condition no further violations of the statute are committed for a period of four years.

Yorozu also reinstated a suspended penalty against **Mary Koehler**, candidate for Mayor of the City of Lake Forest Park in 1999, for failure to adhere to a Commission order to file her Statement of Financial Affairs by March 1, 2000.

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